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Dear Examiner Gettman:

In response to an Examiner's Interview of December 18, 2007, following is a proposed amendment for the above-identified application.

Proposed Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.